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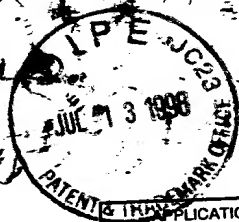
Enclosed are three separate Declarations which have been signed by the inventors; one signed by Robert J. Obremski, John W. Silzel, Tsong-Tseh Tsay, Charles L. Dodson, Tung Rung Wang, and Yagang Liu; one signed by Bibijana Cercek; and one signed by Shaomin Zhou for filing in the above-identified patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE** within which to file all required items and pay fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the **SURCHARGE** set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☒ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

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☐ 1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

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☐ 2. Additional claim fees of \$ _____, including any multiple dependent claim fees, are required.

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☐ 3. The oath or declaration:

- ☐ is missing or unexecuted.
☐ does not cover the newly submitted items.
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An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☒ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

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